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Art Unit 3729

Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application  
Appl. No. 09/753,310; Filed: December 29, 2000  
For: **Method for Mounting a Plurality of Spring Contact Elements**  
Inventors: Eldridge *et al.*  
Our Ref: 2026.006000L

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. PTO Fee Transmittal Form PTO/SB/07;
2. Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(1);
3. Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 and in the Revised Format of the Pre-OG Notice Dated January 31, 2003;
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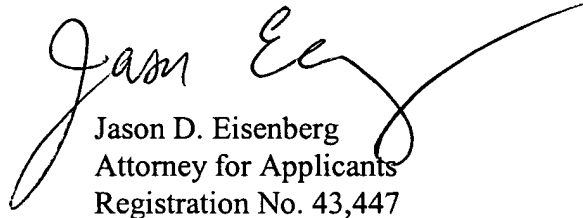
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**for FY 2003**

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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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Application Number	09/753,310
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First Named Inventor	Benjamin Eldridge
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1001	750	2001	375	Utility filing fee	
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1003	520	2003	260	Plant filing fee	
1004	750	2004	375	Reissue filing fee	
1105	160	2005	80	Provisional filing fee	

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1201	2201	84	42	Independent claims in excess of 3
1203	2203	280	140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204	2204	84	42	**Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205	2205	18	9	**Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

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1812	2,520	1812	2,520	For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination	
1804	920*	1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805	1,840*	1805	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251	110	2251	55	Extension for reply within first month	110.00
1252	410	2252	205	Extension for reply within second month	
1253	930	2253	465	Extension for reply within third month	
1254	1,450	2254	725	Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255	1,970	2255	985	Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401	320	2401	160	Notice of Appeal	
1402	320	2402	160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403	280	2403	140	Request for oral hearing	
1451	1,510	1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452	110	2452	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453	1,300	2453	650	Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501	1,300	2501	650	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
1502	470	2502	235	Design issue fee	
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1460	130	1460	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
1807	50	1807	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
1806	180	1806	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
8021	40	8021	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
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1810	750	2810	375	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
1801	750	2801	375	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
1802	900	1802	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	

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